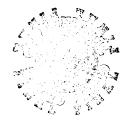
ATLANTA, GEORGIA



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A RESOLUTION BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION

03-R -0591

CITY RESOLUTION **AUTHORIZING** THE **ATTORNEY EXTEND** RETAINER TO LAW AGREEMENT WITH FIRM OF THE SUTHERLAND ASBILL & BRENNAN, LLC TO SERVE AS OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO THE CITY OF IN CONNECTION WITH LEGAL ATLANTA THE **MATTERS** RELATED TO 20-YEAR **OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT** WITH UNITED WATER SERVICES UNLIMITED ATLANTA, LLC; TO AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES FOR THAT PURPOSE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$225,000; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Whereas, on December 24, 1998, the City of Atlanta entered into a 20-year Operations and Maintenance Agreement with United Water Services Unlimited Atlanta, LLC ("UWSA"); and

Whereas, pursuant to that Agreement (FC-6946-98), the City of Atlanta agreed to pay UWSA the amount of \$21,400,000.00 per year to operate and manage the City's drinking water system; and

Whereas, performance issues related to the UWSA Contract required the mutual dissolution of that Agreement between the City of Atlanta and UWSA; and

Whereas, the City Council authorized the City Attorney to engage the legal services of the law firm of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan, LLC as outside counsel, due to the particularized expertise and resources needed to properly advance the interests of the City of Atlanta; and

Whereas, the City of Atlanta has successfully executed a Mutual Dissolution Agreement with UWSA, primarily through the legal services provided by the law firm of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan; and

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Whereas, there remain outstanding legal issues related to the Mutual Dissolution Agreement, transfer of oversight regarding the terminated UWSA Contract, and the negotiation and execution of related third-party vendor contracts, which require intense supervision and legal analysis by the law firm of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan, the City Attorney and her staff in order to protect the City's position in this transaction; and

Whereas, the City Attorney has determined that the law firm of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan, LLC has both the specialized practice skills as well as the considerable legal resources necessary to augment the expertise in the City Law Department.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES that the City Attorney be and is authorized to extend its retention agreement with the law firm of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan, LLC to serve as outside counsel to the City Attorney on legal matters related to the 20-year Operations and Maintenance Agreement with United Water Services Unlimited Atlanta, LLC ("UWSA").

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney be and is hereby authorized to incur legal fees, costs and expenses related to this matter in an amount not to exceed \$225,000.00.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to remit payment of all legal fees, expenses and costs due for legal services rendered by the law firm of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan, LLC in connection with forgoing matters, once approved for payment by the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$225,000.00 to be paid from Fund Account and Center Number 2J01 524001 Q11001.

A true copy,

Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED by the Council APPROVED by the Mayor

APR 21, 2003 APR 28, 2003

Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

CONSENT I Pgs. 1-19; Except 03-0-0441; 03-0-0391

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4/21/03 FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Items Adopted on the Consent Agenda

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